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SUBJECT: GUIDANCE RE SURVEY TEAM

JOINT STATE/DEFENSE

1. JOINT NAVY/AIR FORCE SURVEY TEAM WILL ARRIVE LAJES
ABOUT SEPTEMBER 4, 1973.

2. IF ASKED WHY GROUP IS THERE, YOU SHOULD SAY THAT
TEAM CAME TO EVALUATE NEED FROM U.S. POINT OF VIEW OF
EXISTING FACILITIES, FUNCTIONS AND PERSONNEL IN AZORES.
IT WOULD BE ADVISABLE NOT TO COMMENT ANY FURTHER AND
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TO LIMIT TO AS FEW PORTUGUESE AS POSSIBLE THE INFORMATION

THAT, PURSUANT TO DEPSECDEF DECISION, SURVEY TEAM WILL PREPARE FOR TRANSFER OF HOST SERVICE RESPONSIBILITY FOR LAJES FROM AIR FORCE TO NAVY NLT 1 JULY 1974.

3. FYI: ALTHOUGH IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO DISCUSS THIS ON AN UNCLASSIFIED BASIS WITH SELECTED LOCAL CONTRACTORS AND FOREIGN NATIONAL EMPLOYEES WE WOULD PREFER TO LET PORTUGUESE OFFICIALS DRAW THEIR OWN CONCLUSIONS AS TO THE ULTIMATE PURPOSE OF SURVEY TEAM ACTIVITIES. VALUE OF AMBIGUITY IN THIS CASE IS THAT THE SURVEY COULD BECOME ONE OF SEVERAL SIGNALS THAT WILL AID US TACTICALLY IN THE FORTHCOMING NEGOTIATIONS (SCHEDULED TO BEGIN IN THE FALL. WE WISH TO CONVEY IMPRESSION THAT SURVEY

TEAM IS LINKED TO RECENT NEWS OF POSSIBLE REDUCTION IN U.S. BASES OVERSEAS. WE ARE SEEKING TO COUNTER ANY PORTUGUESE IMPRESSION THAT THE U.S. CONSIDERS THE AZORES BASE FACILITIES HIGHLY VALUABLE TO U.S. NATIONAL INTEREST AND INTENDS TO RETAIN THEM INDEFINITELY AT ANY COST. ROGERS

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